

BRIGADIER S M GLEDHILL

**Deputy Commanding General
Multi National Security Transition Command – Iraq**



Brigadier Stephen Gledhill was educated at Mirfield Grammar School in Yorkshire and at Durham University. He was commissioned into the Royal Regiment of Artillery in 1975. Over the next nine years he undertook regimental duty with 22 Air Defence Regiment, 19 Field Regiment and 3rd Regiment Royal Horse Artillery. During this time he served with the 105mm Light Gun, 105mm Abbot, the Rapier air defence system and the Swingfire anti-tank system. He also completed three operational tours in Northern Ireland in the internal security role.

In 1985 he attended the Army Command and Staff Course at Camberley and then took command of 38 (Seringapatam) Battery of 40 Field Regiment based in Hohn Germany equipped with the 155mm M109. In 1988 he was appointed Deputy Chief of Staff of 19 Infantry Brigade then based in Colchester. In 1990 he joined the Royal School of Artillery as the SO2 Tactics (Field). From November 1990 to April 1991 he served as the Second in Command of 40 Field Regiment of 1st (UK) Armoured Division during the Gulf War.

In early 1992 he was appointed SO1 Directing Staff at the Staff College Camberley. In 1993 he assumed command of 16 Regiment Royal Artillery, equipped with Rapier and based in Dortmund Germany. In 1995 he re-patriated the Regiment to Woolwich in southeast London.

On promotion to Colonel in April 1996 he was appointed Commander Air Defence Land Command and commanded 7th Air Defence Brigade from its formation in April 1997. In April 1999 he assumed the appointment of Colonel Concepts and Doctrine in the Directorate General of Development and Doctrine in Upavon. On promotion to Brigadier in May 2002 he became Advisor to the Chief of the Defence Staff of the Slovak Republic;

responsible for the provision of advice on all aspects of security sector reform in the lead up to Slovakia's accession to NATO and the EU . He assumed his current appointment as Director Individual Training (Army) and Commandant of the Army Physical Training Corps July 2004.

He is keen on outdoor pursuits and enjoys mountain walking and fishing. He also plays cricket and is a keen alpine and nordic skier.